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PROTECTING LAYER TO SURFACES ESPECIALLY
VARNISHED SURFACES OF MOTOR VEHICLE BODIES
Atty Docket No.: NOR-1043

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE
AND RE-SUBMISSION OF PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Defective Response mailed July 9, 2002,
please find enclosed herewith a copy of such Notice along with a copy of the only
Figure in the application with translated text and a previously submitted copy of a
Preliminary Amendment bearing a certificate of mailing dated June 6, 2002.

The translation of the application into English stands defective because the text in the drawings was not properly translated. Applicants' undersigned representative discussed an appropriate action for correcting the defect by telephone with Lamont Hunter, a draftsman at the U.S.P.T.O. PCT Office responsible for drawing review. Consistent with Mr. Hunter's suggestions for correcting the defect, Applicants hereby submit a copy of the sole Figure in which added corrective text is highlighted. Specifically, the highlighted text references a translation key for the figure text provided on page 19 of the previously submitted English translation. Applicants note that the text "0.5-1 bar" on the figure is already stated in the English language without additional translation.


Additional claim fees were requested for claims 1-22. Applicants' undersigned representative has learned from an August 8, 2002 telephone conversation with Patricia Booker in the U.S.P.T.O. PCT Office that a Preliminary Amendment has not been entered in the above-identified application. Applicants hereby re-submit a copy of a Preliminary Amendment bearing a certificate of mailing dated June 6, 2002 and provide a copy of a return postcard indicating that the Preliminary Amendment was received by the U.S.P.T.O on June 17, 2002. Claims 1-22, for which the additional claims fees are requested, are cancelled by the Preliminary Amendment. The Preliminary Amendment adds 20 new claims, of which there are 2 independent claims, for which no additional claim fees are required.

Applicants believe that no other fees are due in connection with this response to notice of defective response and re-submission of preliminary amendment. However, if such petition is due or any other fees are necessary, the Commissioner

may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to deposit
account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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